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## Accusations fly at debate

By BRENT BATEMAN  
Contributing Writer

The three candidates vying for the 4th district congressional seat came to LSUS Monday to participate in the first and only televised debate of the campaign. Approximately 100 people attended the debate, half of which were students.

Adeline Roemer and Jim McCrery came to discuss the political issues, but were overshadowed by the lesser-known Robert H. Briggs. Briggs often drew jeers and boos from the crowd that favored McCrery.

Briggs stirred up an otherwise sedate debate when he accused McCrery of being a homosexual. After that remark several members of the audience yelled that Briggs be removed from the stage.

McCrery denied the allegation and asked that Briggs "quit calling (him) at home."

Briggs also accused Ronald Reagan of being a liar and called Edwin Edwards "a damn crook."

McCrery faced tough questions from Roemer, who wasted no time in leading an attack. In her opening statement, she said, "Jim should be ashamed of himself. (He) voted against the

people he represents."

She chastised McCrery for bringing a "confessed perjurer," Oliver North, to the 4th district to take part in a fundraiser for his re-election, and she accused him of using "scare tactics" when he spoke about the catastrophic healthcare bill.

McCrery countered that he was only using facts and that facts "may seem scary to populous politicians." When Roemer asked why McCrery voted against the Windfall Profits Tax Bill — the bill taxes oil and

gas profits — he explained that he never voted against it, but that he voted to sustain the president's veto of the bill when it was tied to the Trade Bill.

Roemer and McCrery disagreed on several key issues: Roemer wants to raise the minimum wage because the cost of living has gone "sky high." McCrery said that raising the minimum wage would take away jobs.

McCrery favored the death penalty for drug kingpins. Roemer replied that she did not

know what a kingpin was but she was against the death penalty under any circumstances.

They also differ on who they will support for the presidency: Roemer supports Mike Dukakis; McCrery supports George Bush.

When not defending himself against Roemer's attack, McCrery emphasized the significance of his seat on the Budget Committee, which oversees the national debt and the budget deficit. He considered these the biggest problems facing the nation.



Photo by Brett Hadley

## Cheating: everybody does it?



Wilfred Guerin

Photo by Brett Hadley

By LORI NEJAME  
Staff Writer

Cheating is not a problem at LSUS — "Not that I'm aware of. I have to put it that way because

not all instances of cheating come to my attention, and that is fine with me," said Dr. Wilfred Guerin, vice chancellor for academic affairs.

If a student is caught cheating

at LSUS it is up to the professor to decide what course of action to take. As outlined in the Student Handbook under the Student Conduct Code, in case of apparent or suspected cheating, the faculty member may:

1. Warn the student of the risk of such behavior.

2. Confer with the department chair and/or dean, after which the instructor may either impose a penalty of a reduced grade on the work involved, including F, or he may impose a penalty of a reduced grade for the course, including F.

3. Confer with the department chair and/or dean, after which the instructor may send the matter to the vice chancellor for academic affairs. The vice chancellor, after consulting with the Admissions and Standards Committee, may then impose a penalty and direct the instructor on the proper

course of action.

In the case of a penalty imposed by the faculty member, the faculty member must inform the student of the penalty and of the student's right to appeal through the vice chancellor. The faculty member must report his action to the chair and dean, and must preserve all necessary evidence.

In most cases where cheating was involved at LSUS, it was handled by the professor. "In my three and a half years as vice chancellor, only two cases have been brought to my attention," said Guerin.

Dr. Delbert Chumley, assistant professor of accounting, has not had a problem with cheating in his two years at LSUS.

"I gave a student an F at another university for cheating. If I suspected cheating in one of my classes at LSUS, the most important thing to me would be that

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# editorial

*Enough is enough*

## Editor raps on "rapture"

Everyone, in their own way, is religious and indeed we have all grown up in a predominately christian society. It is impossible to escape religion in this culture or, for that matter, anywhere.

But, this nation is unique in that so many have made a farce out of the institution supposedly so dear. Oral Roberts saw a 100-foot Jesus in Oklahoma. Later in another vision, Oral was told by God to raise eight million dollars or "He would call Oral home." Frankly, eight million dollars is an ungodly amount of money for Oral's life.

Next, Jim Bakker gets caught with his pants down. He was heading a considerable christian fun park yet pillaging the collection plate in order to pay off a harlot. The harlot goes on to fame and fortune at Hefner's house. Poor Jim, stuck with "long and lovely," is trying to make a comeback like some washed-up prize-fighter.

Then there is home boy, Jimmy Swaggart. He must have written his sermons while on a guilt trip about sticky Debbie. Defrocked but not dethroned, he came bouncing back like a lead ball. Swaggart was so kooky that neither his religion nor his sex was straight.

Presently this week, people have had to deal with some nut's talking about the rapture. This fortune teller acted like he was Jesus' flight manager in that he calculated within 48 hours of His depature for earth. "Well we're waiting."

Why would Jesus come back if this is what is waiting: one senile money-crazed "faith healer," two Jims with over active glands and mouths, and a soothsayer with a cracked crystal ball.

The really sad part of all this nonsense is people actually are gullible enough to believe in these flakes. Some "followers" goes as far as giving entire life savings so these creeps can pay for medical buildings, sex romps, and publications of preposterous books. As Brother Dave Gardner said, "God knows I love you beloved, I done got your money."



...AND I LEARNED ALL ABOUT GEOGRAPHY RIGHT HERE IN THE USA...

## Dizon defends trade

By LILY DIZON  
Managing Editor

The election season is a peculiar time. It sends responsible men scurrying everywhere, straightening their suits, making sure their hair is impeccable, checking those pearly whites in the mirror, and last but definitely not least, sending their dirty laundry to the nearest washateria so those evil journalists won't (heaven forbid!) get their sticky hands on it.

The public is indignant. They feel the media overstep their boundaries when they (the media) cover extensively the early years of Republican Vice-

Presidential nominee Dan Quayle. Have the media gone too far in reporting that Quayle used his family influence to enter the National Guard? Did the media get out of hand in telling the public of Quayle's alleged propositioning of a lobbyist way back when?

True, those issues are "irrelevant and immaterial" to the matters at hand, namely Quayle's position on responsible issues, his qualifications and his political record as a U.S. senator. But, we must keep in mind that Quayle is not your run of the mill John Doe of Anywhere, U.S.A. There is a more-than-good possibility that he may be the No. 2 man in this country and one day, Numero

Uno. That qualifies him as a public figure and/or official as defined by the landmark case, *Sullivan vs. New York Times*. Right or wrong, Republican or Democrat, that distinction makes Quayle "public property."

This is not an attack on Dan Quayle's integrity or character, but a defense of the often-distrusted news reporter, camera and simple paper and pen. The media can't be blamed for reporting — the key word is "reporting" not "inventing" — what has actually happened. It is the job of the press to be the "eyes and the ears" of all that's going on in this forever-changing world. It's up to the public to judge.

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## Turning The Corner

## Together Again

By TOM EYTON-JONES  
Columnist

At noon on Wednesday, Sept. 7, I found myself in the middle of a wonderful situation: closed in a room (with another gentleman) with seven beautiful women. Before everybody reaches for their highlighters, I must point out that we were there for the first meeting of the Support Group for Non-Traditional Students. Operated by the counseling office (AD 227), this group has been in place for almost five years. However, they had to overcome printing budget limitations as well as the phantom-like disappearance of their posters which were put up in each college building. For some reason the phantom took this semester off and the posters remained; miraculously the word got out. I started here during the Fall '86 semester and just became aware of the group's existence; the phantom lives but this time he blew it.

Paula Lynch, assistant director of counseling, greeted us. Her charm and addictive smile immediately put everyone at ease. Many of the people behind those trepidatious faces relaxed.

Unlike other groups where support comes in the form of

professional counselors, this group is, in the words of Lynch, self-perpetuating and self-directing. It functions logically: who knows the most about the problems but the people having them? Associate these problems with a person who has dealt with them before and (usually) goodbye problem.

To keep the group members from wandering through the netherworld, the counseling office representative serves as a guide and introduces topics for discussion when needed. If more personal counseling is needed, an individual feels the problem is too sensitive for group discussion, the counseling office is ready to help.

I made my first visit with the sole purpose of covering it for this column, but I found a lot of interesting people...and there should be more. I realize there are a lot of non-traditionals out there and, if your schedules permit, the rest of you should check out this group. It meets each Wednesday in AD 219 from noon to 1:00 p.m. until Nov. 17. That gives us enough time to do our Christmas shopping and studying for finals. I'm going back every week; whether you have a problem or not, this group is highly enjoyable as well as functional. Hopefully, I'll see you there.

## Letter To The Editor

## The sky is fallin'

## Dear Editor:

"It smells like sh... around here" said Monte Miller as he stood out front of the University Center. He was referring to the malodorous odor coming from the bird droppings that heat up during the day.

During the day there are only two or three birds flying around in the trees. Common sense tells you there is no way such a big smell can come from such a small bird.

The other night I was coming out of a late class and there were

thousands of birds everywhere. At first I thought of how the people felt in Alfred Hitchcock's "The Birds." Then a more horrifying thought came over me, Mel Brooks' parody of Hitchcock's movie in "High Anxiety."

Anyone wandering around LSUS at night should carry an umbrella.

The major problem — besides being a target — is the smell. When walking in front of BE, BH or even down the middle of the mall area, the stink is overwhelming.

I would suggest killing them. But 10,000 dead birds wouldn't smell any better than their droppings.

A guy talking with Miller had an idea that sounded good. He said to put a water hose in the tree to scare them off. Somebody should at least make an effort to get them out of here before they stink us out.

It's bad when someone asks about LSUS and the answer "It stinks," is the best one!

By RODNEY MALLETT

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**Have A  
Complaint  
Or  
Compliment?  
Write A  
"Letter To The Editor"**

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# If you could drop or add anything at LSUS, what would it be?



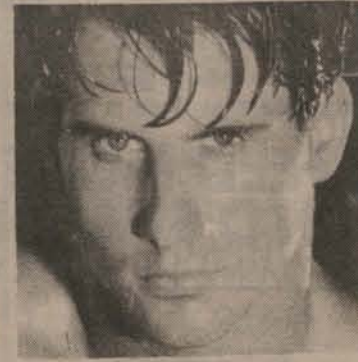
Harvey "The Rabbit" Giblin, criminal justice, sophomore. "I'd add more parking space by dropping classroom space."



Stacey "Fit as a Fiddle" Smith, public relations, senior. "I could do without all the blackbirds and their by-products."



Dennis "Gerber Baby" Adams, criminal justice, sophomore. "I'd drop the 'No Smoking' rule."



Mike "Biff" Bowlin, physical education, sophomore. "I'd drop all courses except Phys. Ed."



Scott "I wish I was Howard" Hughes, marketing, senior. "I would add dormitories."



## campus events

# Fall Fest...A blast to the past

By HELEN TAYLOR  
Staff Writer

"Fall Fest '88 A Blast From the Past," promises to be a real blast if all goes as planned. Student Activities Board members have been busy scheduling performers, musicians, building sets and making decorations for the upcoming revelry.

This year Fall Fest will run from Wednesday, Sept. 21 through Friday, Sept. 23 and is devoted to life during the Renaissance. The Student Activities Board borrowed the theme from festivals in Houston and the Shakespearian Festival in Dallas.

Colette Cheramie, director of student activities, said "We hope this Fall Fest will draw families

as well as people from outside LSUS, and we want to appeal to people who can't make it during the day." For this reason, Friday's activities will run from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and resume from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., so people can come after work and bring their families at night.

The festivities begin Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. with a "traditional Fall Fest kickoff" complete with a live band, Destiny, food booths and fun, according to Cheramie.

Thursday is slated as "Fall Games Day." Kurt Rensik, assistant director of student activities, scheduled numerous wacky events for the afternoon. Highlighting Thursday's games are two daytime performances in the mall by magician Charles



Green. In addition, Green performs Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. in the University Center Theatre.

Friday's trip to the Renaissance will be as authentic as possible. Assisting the SAB with preparations is the Society

for Creative Anachronisms. According to official SCA literature "the Society is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to researching and recreating the customs, combat and courtesies of the pre-17th century world." Rensik described them as "a group of people who get together to put on festivals dealing with the Renaissance period."

Their devotion runs deeper than just that. SCA travel and demonstrate different forms of Renaissance music, magic, combat, dancing, armour making, needle work, and more. At various festivals the group provides samplings of traditional food, drink and entertainment.

Members of the local society

will be on hand in traditional costumes demonstrating Melle fighting, a form of hand to hand combat in armour. Medieval fencing, known as swashing, will be presented by a Texas group.

Earthly Pleasures, a musical group patterned after town bands of 14th and 15th century Germany and England, will perform two afternoon and night shows. The band instruments are reproductions of the traditional instruments used.

Bill Palmer, a Texas SCA member, will perform dressed as Merlin the Magician.

Flags will decorate the campus and the University Center will be transformed into a medieval castle. On Friday there will be puppets for the kids.

## Pleasure seekers

Earthly Pleasures is a musical organization based in Dallas, TX. that specializes in the performance of Renaissance and Medieval music.

The band patterns itself after the town bands of 14th and 15th century Germany and England. Medieval string instruments, harp, hurdy-gurdy, viola da gamba and rauschpfeife are some of the instruments used.

Earthly Pleasures offers audiences the opportunity to participate by singing along with a

familiar song or making verbal comments about the music. The audience is also invited to come on stage after the concert to view the instruments more closely and to ask the performers questions.

Earthly Pleasures was formed in 1978 for the purpose of performing at the Shakespeare Festival of Dallas. Since then, the group has performed at numerous public concerts and privately sponsored performances at parties, weddings and promotional events.



Bill Palmer

## Merlin to perform at LSUS Fall Fest

Bill Palmer has performed in road shows, and trade shows all over the country. He has represented many major corporations including: Franklin Electric, Snap-on Tools, Daniel Radiator Corporation, and Alcan Cable. His presentations have won three awards for Houston Wire and Cable at the S.W.E.E.

Palmer has appeared at Caesar's Palace, Norm Silver's Moustache Club in Montreal, Humoresk, Jones Hall, the Music Hall, the Coliseum, the Astrodome, and many other locations around the country. He was selected to open the Laff Stop in Houston and in Austin and

Houston's internationally famous Magic Island.

He has appeared in People Magazine and was selected by Houston City Magazine as one of the most interesting people in Houston.

Palmer performs not only as himself, but as two major characters. He has appeared at the Galveston Historical Foundation's Dickens' Evening on the Strand on several occasions as a turn of the century performer — Professor Palmer. His best known performances are as Merlin the Magician at the Texas Renaissance Festival and Scarborough Faire.

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# campus profile



Sara Parson

## What's cookin'?

By JAMIE GARDNER  
Staff Writer

Everybody at LSUS knows Sara Parson, whether they are aware of it or not. Each time you go through the cafeteria line, to buy a blueberry muffin during the common hour or lunch on a grilled cheese, her's is the smiling face that greets you.

Employed at LSUS for six years, Parson enjoys the busy, friendly atmosphere here. She is a 1981 graduate of Green Oaks High School and future plans include nursing school.

Family is the most important aspect of Parson's life. The proud mother of a four-year-old son, she has been married almost five years. Although Parson has a separate life with her husband and son, she remains close to her parents and five sisters. One sister works along-side Parson in the cafeteria.

Parson describes herself as a relatively quiet, shy and extremely easy-going person. However, customers complaining about things out of her control, like high food prices, aggravate her. Parson says she has learned to deal with difficult people in a "polite yet extremely direct way." Like any job, dealing with all types of people is part of the territory.

Fall is Parson's favorite time of the year because "things move so fast and everybody has such a great attitude in the early part of the school year." She also enjoys the Christmas holidays off to spend time with her family. The summer semester is the worst time because "everybody is so laid back and slow."

When she is not working, Parson loves traveling with her family, dancing with her husband, or going to see scary movies. She is

(See Cookin'.....Pg. 8)

## Dr. Richard Barnett

# Perfectionist extraordinaire

By LILY DIZON  
Managing Editor

Dr. Richard L. Barnett, chairman of the foreign language department, considers himself a perfectionist in every way. Never mind that he holds seven university degrees, speaks four different languages fluently and "can manage" three others, has written and published numbers of books, has traveled extensively and the list goes on. He still wants more.

His students and co-workers described Barnett as "dynamic," "outstanding," "over-qualified," and "enthusiastic." Who is this paragon of virtues?

Barnett is a teacher, first and foremost. But, he doesn't know what he likes about that profession: "To like something so much and not be able to say exactly why" is a problem, he said.

"There's a quality of self-centeredness of any good teacher," he admitted, adding, "It's the notion of presenting oneself." He's obsessed with the conception of contributing something to meet his own need of self-gratification.

Barnett has a multi-faceted personality and his self-analysis reflects this. He is a perfectionist and admits to be "obsessed" with the idea that everything has to be just right or better.

"If a plant dies," he cited as an example, "I have to stop everything I'm doing to run out get another plant to replace it...The bottom line is I am so demanding on myself that there is no amount I can ever accomplish in any realm which can satisfy me."

Barnett has yet to define his

future goals but knows he's "moving closer to (them) by being self-demanding."

But, it is not all work and no play for this self-acclaimed perfectionist. He often takes three-day vacations to unwind and relax...anywhere from West Virginia to Dallas to Pittsburgh.

When it comes to food, Barnett's ideal meal is prime ribs and lobster. He's on a perennial diet five out of seven days a week but he concedes that "If it has the word chocolate, the diet is over."

Barnett was born and reared in Geneva, Switzerland. He has spoken English since he was eight but acknowledges that the language doesn't fall into a simple pattern. Instead, it "resists the kind of systematic formation that the romance language emits."

Besides French and English, Barnett also fluently speaks

Spanish and Italian. He knows German, can read it, but doesn't like to speak it. He has studied Portuguese, and when it comes to Latin, he's "still looking for Romans" to converse with.

French is his "favorite language by far, of course."

Although an attempt was made to dig up some skeletons in his closet, none can be found anywhere, not even his office, immaculately decorated by Barnett himself.

His secretary, Susan Jusselin, says that the man is "dynamic." He's very dedicated to his work and teaching and can communicate with anyone.

He gets rave reviews from his students: Jean Brabham, a former president of CODOFIL Northwest, describes Barnett as "outstanding. There are times when the class is difficult but (he) has a wonderful sense of

(See Perfectionist.....Pg. 8)



Dr. Richard L. Barnett

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## news

### Animal research inspires

# Summer safari

By LORI NEJAME  
Staff Writer

Professor Vaughan Langman, assistant professor of Biology at LSUS, is involved in Large Animal Research in Africa. According to The White Rhinoceros Research Project program, Langman is a leading expert in giraffe physiology and rhinoceros and giraffe capture.

Each year during the months of June, July and August, Langman, along with a small number of student volunteers, spends a month in Kenya, East Africa. These student volunteers have an opportunity to see Africa and stay in Safari camps while studying large exotic animals including rhinos, elephants and giraffes.

In the past, Langman and his volunteers have done a great deal of surveys on foot. They com-

pleted a study on giraffes, one on rhinos and are presently trying to start work on a study involving elephants.

"They are tame, but they are lucid and wild which makes it very interesting and dangerous as well," said Langman. "We are basically interested in studying the behavior and physiology of these animals. This is not something for someone expecting fun and entertainment," he added.

The research consists of long and unusual hours including nighttime observations of the animals. Langman's project is affiliated with the African Fund for Endangered Wildlife, a Wildlife Organization in Africa.

"We usually work through the week," said Langman. "We have a large tent we call the 'party tent' where everyone gets

together at night and on Saturdays to sing and have parties. We are off on Sundays to give everyone a chance to rest - a day to take it easy," he added.

There is a basic application blank which limits people with severe illnesses because there are no hospitals in Kenya. In the eight or nine years of Langman's involvement with the project, there have been no accidents.

"I got malaria last year," said Langman. "We had 50 per cent of the camp fall down to malaria at one time. We're living in fools paradise in America where we've forgotten that diseases even exist, but they certainly do," he said.

Meals consist of basic meats and vegetables available to the camp which are prepared by Kenyan cooks.

"We usually have a lot of fun,"



Professor Vaughan Langman

said Langman.

The project costs \$2500 for four weeks. This price includes food and camp costs but it does not include airfare.

"This may seem like an extravagant amount of money, but it is the best we can do under the

circumstances," said Langman.

Langman urges students interested in the project to start planning early. If money is a problem, there are various local and national organizations who will sponsor volunteers, Langman said.

# Parking lot shuttle... please!

By Andrea Logan  
Contributing Writer

With the new semester, come new faces, new personnel, new cars in the parking lot, but LSUS still has the same problem: Not enough parking spaces. Translated, that means the

students may have to walk a little farther to their classes.

According to Claude Overlease, head of campus police, students are given several days at the beginning of each semester to familiarize themselves with the campus. After the first week, students are

LSUS should "Have an air-conditioned shuttle bus."

Tim Hickey. . . 1988

issued tickets for violating parking regulations.

"Around 30 tickets a day are being issued for students who park on the curbs, back into park-

ing spaces or who choose to park in the handicap and faculty spaces," Overlease said, adding that students not obeying the speed limit and stop signs are his main concern.

On most mornings the parking lot is usually congested. Students who arrive after 9 a.m. are being guided to the black-top lot, which is south of the campus next to the tennis courts.

Most students have morning classes in Bronson Hall or Business-Education buildings and they want to park as close to the buildings as they can. The south lot usually has 200 available spaces but students don't want to walk the extra distance to class.

"If you plan your schedule and arrive a few minutes early, said Richard Grider, a business major, "You can usually find a decent place to park." He also said that students should not complain about lack of parking spaces if they're not on time.

Jim Rolfs, an accounting major, said "Speeding is the biggest problem." He is concerned about

the safety of joggers and cyclists. He thinks that the people leaving around the noon hour should slow down and be more cautious.

Several students feel that a new lot should be constructed in front of Bronson Hall.

Al Delaune, a business major, thinks a yearly fee of \$20 should be added to students tuition. He feels that this would help pay for a new lot and students would not have to walk as far.

Tim Hickey, a marketing major, agrees and recommends that LSUS "have an air-conditioned shuttle bus. Most students don't like to walk the farther distance to class because they're loaded with books and (are) usually running late."

Overlease is also concerned about the student decal stickers, issued at the beginning of the semester. "Some students have expired decal stickers and will eventually be ticketed for them," he said.

LSUS issued new decals in August of '87. The decals should be placed on the lower right side of the bumper.

According to Overlease, many students are not aware of the new decal stickers. Each semester new students are encouraged to register their car with campus police. At that time, students are given a decal sticker.

Students who did not register their automobile at the beginning of the semester can obtain a decal sticker on the first floor of the Administration building.

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Inquiring minds want to know

# Who the hell's Norm Nixon?

By KEN KURIGER  
Sports Editor

Personally, I detest Larry King, a bold man who calls himself a journalist. However, I'm not above stealing his format...

What's the deal with Florida State's Sammy Smith? After two games, the Heisman candidate rushed for 50 yards on 19 carries...Meanwhile, in Gainesville, Sammy's namesake, Emmitt, has over 250 yards, admittedly, against lesser foes.

The U.S. Open finals were heaven on earth for tennis fans...Steffi Graf, with her lovely court-posture, is infallible...On the men's side, the quiet Swede, Mats "I'm not Borg" Wilander, finally achieved the No. 1 ranking he deserves. After winning three of the four majors this year, is there any doubt? In the epic 5-set finale, Ivan Lendl had twice as many winners, but also committed twice as many unforced errors...Mats has more staying-power than any other player.

Wouldn't it be interesting to pit Charles Mann and Carl Banks against Steve Pelleur and Bubby Brister in a lumberjack contest?...There's no way in hell I

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can condone Minnesota's Tommy Kramer leaving last Sunday's Patriots game because his THUMBS

were cramped...Houdini is reincarnated as Joe Montana.

You can book a Mets-A's World Series...I did, three months ago. Davey Johnson won't need his Roloids this season.

How many of us envision the nightmare of Munich in anticipation of the Summer Games in Seoul?...Speaking of international events, is nothing sacred anymore? The America's Cup Challenge this week has become an embarrassment for sports.

More embarrassment: The Phillies decided not to pick up the option for the last year of Mike Schmidt's contract. Hasn't the beloved Schmitt merited a dignified denouement to his fabled career in Philadelphia? How can an athlete so adored, be discarded as a liability? I say screw the youth movement, in this case.

And where have you gone Norm Nixon?



Photo by Brett Hadley

## Flag football huddles up

By KEN KURIGER  
Sports Editor

By winning the pre-season football tournament, Phi Van Halen sent the message to seventeen other teams that their monster tour is still rolling along.

After two days of regular-season action, the boys have done nothing to show they are slowing down.

Led by quarterback Jeff "I never went to Purdue" George and captain Jon "Diamond Dave" Murray, Phi Van Halen (PVH) laid licks on three opponents by a composite 137-12 score.

"We've been together so long that we've got an edge before we even get on the field," said Mur-

ray, who scored three TDs in the 42-0 whitewash of the Sober Guys.

In PVH's second game, George used his scrambling to befuddle the Clamslammers' inept pass rush. He threw for five TDs, as the Slammers got slung, 61-0.

The nightcap proved PVH's endurance — they beat Delta Sig 34-12; and despite losing a third shutout, George was satisfied with the win.

Playing three consecutive games at such a consistent level attests to PVH's preparation, particularly when field conditions were less-than-ideal. In fact, many combatants cursed the mowed-grass surface.

"It's a damn skating rink out there," lamented Pookie Shook,

of the Sober Guys. The Sobers were the only team to suffer two defeats through Tuesday's games. A collective lack of cleats accentuated their plight.

Don Bloxom is in charge of field maintenance. Apparently channels of communication between the intramurals department and Bloxom are hazy.

"Don's been real cooperative with us," said Intramural Director Kurt Rensik. "We've just got to accept the fact that we have no money." Rensik alluded to the all-encompassing budget cuts at the university this fall.

"The condition of the fields will improve each day, as we let maintenance know what we need done," said Rensik. "The loose grass out there is temporary."

## Calendar of Events

### Scores...

#### Monday, September 12

HPE...20	ACM...12
Dirty White Boys...26	I Pheta Thi...6
Just Us...7	Kappa Sig...6

#### Tuesday, September 13

Full Force...20	ROTC...12
Phi Van Halen...42	Sober Guys...0
Tappa Kappa Keg...14	Sober Guys...0
Phi Van Halen...61	Clamslammers...0
Phi Van Halen...34	Delta Sig...12
ZTA...19	The Team...13

### Next Week's Schedule

#### Monday, September 19

5:30 Field One: ACM vs. Just Us  
Field Two: I Pheta Thi vs. Kappa Sig  
6:30 Field One: Dirty White Boys vs. Phi Van Halen  
Field Two: HPE vs. Tappa Kappa Keg

#### Tuesday, September 19

4:30 Field One: Clamslammers vs. Sober Guys  
Field Two: ROTC vs. KA  
5:30 Field One: Phi Van Halen vs. Tappa Kappa Keg  
Field Two: Sober Guys vs. Full Force

#### Wednesday, September 21

4:30 Field Two: BSU vs. Tappa Kappa Keg  
5:30 Field One: Dirty White Boys vs. Justus  
Field Two: ACM vs. Clamslammers

#### Thursday, September 22

4:30 Field One: Cobra vs. ROTC  
Field Two: Phi Delts vs. BSU

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## Briefs... Who's Who

Applications and nominations are being accepted through Oct. 28, 1988 for Who's Who Among American Students in American Universities and Colleges. Application forms can be obtained from your dean, department chair or the student affairs office. Only juniors, seniors, and graduate students are eligible.

## Scholarship

LSUS sophomores interested in a career in government service at the federal, state or local level are invited to apply for a 1989 Harry S. Truman Scholarship.

Established by Congress in 1975, the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation operates an ongoing educational scholarship program designed to provide opportunities for outstanding U.S. students with potential leadership ability to prepare for careers in government service.

In April 1989, the foundation will award 105 scholarships nationally. The deadline for all 1989 applications is November 15, 1988.

LSUS can nominate one student for the 1989 competition.

The scholarship award covers eligibility expenses up to \$7,000 per year for the junior year, the senior year, and two years of graduate study.

To be eligible, a student must be a full-time sophomore working toward or planning to pursue a baccalaureate degree, have a "B" average or equivalent, stand in the upper fourth of the class, and be a U.S. citizen or U.S. na-

tional heading toward a career in government.

Interested students should submit a letter of application, a statement of career plans, a list of past public-service activities or other leadership positions, a current transcript and a 600-word essay discussing a public policy issue of their choice to Dr. William Pederson, 148 BH by Oct. 6, 1988.

## Career Center

The Placement Office is now technically the Career Planning and Placement Center, the Career Center. Still located in AD 230, the Career Center plans a schedule of events available from Donna Saffel or Bill Stowe.

Happenings scheduled for the Career Center this fall vary widely:

A part-time job wearing Halloween costumes plus other work opportunities.

The FBI, Xerox the South Central Bell among others, interviewing on campus.

Resume writing and interview skills workshops.

Job listings with major corporations nationwide.

Any problems or questions that LSUS students have about work, the Career Center is available to help find answers. For further information, contact the career center, AD 230, 797-5062.

## Indy Bowl

Applications for the Miss Independence Bowl pageant are now available at the Independence Bowl Office, 102 Lake St., in the Radisson Hotel. Contestants from ages 3 to 26 are

invited to compete in any of the five age divisions. The preliminary division winner will compete for the Miss Louisiana Title in June 1989. Contestants will compete for crowns, trophies, scholarships, gift certificates and many other gifts. In addition, the winner serves as hostess for the Independence Bowl in December. For more information, call Seva May at 635-8263 after 5:30 p.m. The pageant will be held Nov. 12, 1988 at the Radisson Hotel, downtown Shreveport.

## Poetry Contest

A trip to Hawaii for two is the new Grand Prize in the American Poetry Association's latest poetry contest. There is also a \$1,000 First Prize. In all, 152 poets will win \$11,000 worth of prizes. Contest entry is free.

"Students have been winners in all our contests," said Robert Nelson, the publisher for the association. "So I urge students to enter now. Later they may be too busy with exams."

Poets may send up to five poems, no more than 20 lines each, with name and address on each page to American Poetry Association, Dept. CN-74, 250 A Potero St., P.O. Box 1803, Santa Cruz, CA 95061.

Poems are judged on originality and sincerity. Every poem is considered for publication.

Poems postmarked by December 31 are eligible to win. Prizes will be awarded by February 28, 1989.

## Cheating... Continued From Page 1

I was absolutely sure the student was cheating. If I was sure, I'd probably fail them, said Chumley.

"If I was aware of cheating, I'd first discuss it with the student because in some cases students cheat without realizing it, especially beginning students," said Linda Martin, public relations instructor.

Many smaller universities have honor systems made up of students or faculty members or both. These honor systems require students to report any cheating that goes on.

There are different forms of honor systems some which can be complex. "I feel that an honor system is an ideal way to handle things under certain situations," said Dr. Guerin.

But Dr. Guerin is not sure an honor system could be effectively implemented at LSUS for three reasons:

1. An honor system was not started with tradition in 1967 at LSUS; and therefore, would be a challenge.

2. LSUS consists of a commuter student body. LSUS has no dormitories which "would help enforce the honor code," said Dr. Guerin.

3. LSUS also has a diverse student body which would make it hard to implement a fair honor system.

Apparently, cheating has not been problematic at LSUS. But, of course, it does occur as was the case last Spring when a student stole a test and made copies for a group of other students. The ALMAGEST was not able to learn the identification of the students involved. This particular cheating incident was public information and "was handled by a Committee," said Dr. Guerin. Guerin added

however, "It is best to keep anything like this as quiet as possible to be fair to those involved."

## Cookin'

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an avid sports fan, especially professional teams. The Dallas Cowboys and the Los Angeles Lakers top the list. Being an Isiah Thomas fan as well, Parson had a tough time during this past season's NBA Championship. "I had no idea at all who I was for," said Parson.

In addition, Parson likes Heavyweight Boxing Champion Mike Tyson, but dislikes the recent negative publicity about his life and supposed marital problems.

Gladys Knight and the Pips, Micheal Jackson and funnyman Richard Pryor head the list of favorite entertainers.

Thrilled about the ALMAGEST interview, she said, "It will help everybody know me a little better. Now when they come into the cafeteria they can call me by name and understand a little more about the job I do."

## Perfectionist

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humor which makes the class fun."

Another student, Dr. James "Woody" Wilson says that Barnett is "enthusiastic. He inspires (the student) to try even if (his) level of competency is not as strong."

Larry "Chip" Thirstrup, a six-year medical student, feels that Barnett is "over-qualified. LSUS is fortunate to have a native-speaker teaching French. He's lived the language for so long he is the perfect choice."



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